

JOHN AND MARY FELDERMAN FARM, BARN
Northeast Corner of County Road 56
and County Road T
Clarkville Vicinity
Yuma County
Colorado

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HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDING SURVEY

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Location: Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 22, Township 5 North, Range 46 West, Sixth Prime Meridian. Yuma County, Colorado. North of the intersection of County Road 56 and County Road S, vicinity of Clarkville, Colorado.

Present Owner: Farmers Home Administration, U.S. Department of Agriculture

Present Occupant: Vacant

Present Use: None

Barn

Exterior

The one and one-half story barn is constructed of 2x6 wood framing covered with horizontal tongue and groove siding milled to resemble shiplap siding. The barn was built about 1908 and has had only minor alterations to the interior as the farm changed from horse raising to dairying. The foundation of the barn is a perimeter of cast-in-place concrete partly stabilized by an interior poured concrete slab. The exterior walls are not bolted or otherwise tied to the foundation. The simple moderately-pitched gabled roof barn is roofed with wood shingles and has boxed cornices. The building has eleven, small, four light windows, five Dutch animal access doors and three other openings of similar dimensions that may have had animal access doors at one time. The extra wide Dutch doors are hinged on one side, with a center division at the horizontal center allowing for the top of the door to be opened while the bottom remained closed. There are larger door openings at the two ends with overhead tracked sliding doors comprised of metal rollers on top of the doors that roll in a track on the wall of the building, two hatchways for loft access and one opening of similar dimensions that may have been another hatch as well as a drop type hay loft door. South and east of the barn is an extensive fenced corral complex.

Interior

The barn has floors of soil and concrete slabs. There are three storage rooms on the north and west sides, a milking room on the west side and eight stalls in two rows of four on either side of the central, north-south axis of the barn. Between the stalls is a large open area. Other miscellaneous interior components, such as the remains of stalls, that were part of earlier dairy operations are present. Access to the loft is via an interior ladder and exterior doors. The interior walls are unfinished. The hay loft is located above the stalls and storage areas at the north end of the barn. The loft forms a U around the central open area.

Existing Condition

Significant deterioration of the building is evidenced by the displacement of the east wall.